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Michael J. Ramadei, et al ) Attorney Docket No.: F-166  
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Filed: December 29, 2000 ) Group Art Unit: 2184  
Confirmation No.: 7731 ) Examiner:  
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RECOGNIZING FAULTS IN  
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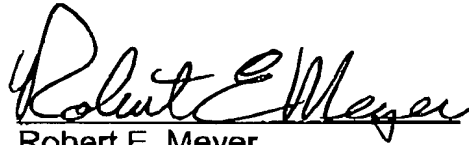
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Respectfully submitted,

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